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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): K. OKAMOTO, et al.
Application No.: 10/799,657
Filed: March 15, 2004
For: FRICTION STIR WELDING APPARATUS AND METHOD AND
PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD
Group: 1725
Examiner: L. Edmondson

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

February 17, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 17, 2004, please amend
the above-identified application as listed in the following, and as set forth on the
following pages:

Amendments to the Claims; and

Remarks are included following the amendments.